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FOR OPIC FROM WILLIAMS

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SUBJ: AGRIBUSINESS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

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- 1. SCHEDULE ARRANGED FOR OPIC REPRESENTATIVE GRAHAM WILLIAMS SURPASSED ONLY BY EXCELLENT RECEPTION FROM GOJ OFFICIALS AND THEIR STRONG ENTHUSIASM FOR PROPOSED COOPERATION IN AGRIBUSINESS JOINT VENTURE DEVELOPMENT.
- 2. WILLIAMS HAD 45-90 MINUTE MEETINGS WITH:
- A. PERMANENT SECRETARY BRICE OF THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY, COMMERCE AND TOURISM. (MINISTER PATTERSON WAS IN LONDON)
- B. MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE MUNN
- C. EXECUTIVE CHAIRMAN WAINWRIGHT AND STAFF OF JIDC, AND
- D. CHAIRMAN MILLER OF AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION.
- 3. PROPOSED COOPERATIVE PROGRAM, PREPARED AT THE SUGGESTION OF JAMAICAN AMBASSADOR FLETCHER, WAS DESCRIBED AND DISCUSSED, EMPHASIZING OPIC'S AND OTHER US PARTICIPANTS' DESIRE TO WORK WITH GOJ OFFICIALS TO DEVELOP A PROGRAM WHICH MEETS GOJ INVESTMENT POLICY AND INTERESTES. RECEPTION TO CONCEPT AND SCHEDULE WAS UNIFORMLY ENTHUSIASTIC. GOJ PARTICIPANTS WILL CONSIDER THEIR PREFERRED DATE FOR NYC AGRIBUSINESS FORUM AND PROPOSED SPEAKER AND WILL NOTIFY OPIC NEXT WEEK. PLANS FOR AGRIBUSINESS INVESTMENT UNCLASSIFIED

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MISSION WERE DISCUSSED WITH KINGSTON PREPARATORY SESSION. DATE

LEFT OPEN PENDING CONFIRMATION, AVAILABILITY AND PARTICIPATION PM MANLEY AND KEY MINISTERS. TENTATIVE AGENDA FOR PREPARATORY SESSION WORKED OUT.

- 4. SUBJECT TO CONFIRMATION, GOJ AGENCIES INDICATED THAT PATTERSON'S MINISTRY, WORKING THROUGH JIDC, WILL BE FOCAL POINT FOR THIS COOPERATIVE PROGRAM WITH OTHERS PARTICIPATING AS APPROPRIATE.
- 5. WILLIAMS BEGAN TDY WITH DISCUSSION OF PROGRAM WITH CHARGE, AND CHIEF OF ECONOMIC COMMERCIAL SECTION ACCOMPANIED HIM ON VISITS WITH BRICE, MUNN AND WAINWRIGHT.
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